



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Ryu INADA

Group Art Unit: 2132

Application No.: 09/386,341

Examiner: A. Nobahar

Filed: August 31, 1999

Docket No.: 104116

For: METHOD FOR GROUP UNIT ENCRYPTION/DECRYPTION, AND  
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WRITING SIGNATURE

**COMMENTS TO THE EXAMINER**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Per our telephone conference, we submit a clean version of the specification.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment:

Clean version of substitute specification

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